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REMOVAL-POST O2 DRY PROCESS**

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2005, applicant hereby elects Group I, Claims 1-10. It is understood that claim 1 is considered generic for all of the claims, and if allowed, the remaining species (claims 11-39) can also be allowed without restriction.

Applicant's election is made with traverse on the grounds that the embodiments delineated by the examiner are not patentably distinct and therefore constitute a single invention concept.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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